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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2005. Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Claims 23-34, 46, 49-52 remain in this application. Claims 1-22, 35-45, and 47-48 have been canceled.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 29-34, 51 and 52 are allowed. Claims 23, 24, 27, and 28 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 23, 24, 27, and 28 have been amended to include all of the limitations of claim 21 except for the word "recycled." Counsel for assignee believes that these amended claims are now allowable.

Claim Rejection Under 35 USC 103

In the Office Action, claims 21, 22, 25, 26, 46, 49, and 50 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a), as being unpatentable over Owens (US 5,519,168). Claims 21 and 22 have been canceled so the rejection of these claims is now moot. Claims 25, 26, 46, 49, and 50 have been amended to depend from amended claim 23. Therefore, in light of these amendments this rejection has been overcome.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

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If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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